

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

### **Election/Restrictions**

The Examiner has indicated that the claims of the present invention are drawn to numerous patentably distinct inventions and required election of one of the inventions pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121. In response, Applicants have elected Group IX claims (1 and 12-15) for prosecution on the merits. With respect to non-elected claims, they are cancelled without prejudice.

### **Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe that all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned attorney at his number set out below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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